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Drainage Repair Work Scheduled to Begin First, As Capitol Construction Projects Get Underway

epair work on a variety of construction projects for the **Idaho Capitol Building** is now anticipated to get underway by the end of this month. The work on the projects, first announced to start toward the end of September, was delayed to allow the bidding contractors more time to complete their estimates of the scope of activity to be done.

According to **Jan Frew**, Design and Construction Manager, Division of Public Works, proposals were to be received by September 2, but the date was moved out a week to accommodate the contractors' requests to better prepare estimates due to the intricate and specialized work required.

Hydro-Tech Contractors, Lehi, Utah was the successful low-bidder for the competitively bid project, and will utilize several local sub-contractors to perform the work. The firm has similar experience completing masonry and terra cotta repair projects on the historic Pocatello High School, masonry repair on the Morrison Center for the Performing Arts, and masonry restoration on a historic Federal Office Building in Seattle. A **pre-construction conference** is set for Thursday (October 14). The contractor has indicated activity will most likely begin the week of October 18, as workers mobilize on site.

Drainage Repair Work to Be Done First

The section of work that will be done first is **drainage repair** in the planting areas that flank the Jefferson Street entrance, against the building. The roses were recently transplanted from their beds to a temporary home at 4th & Washington to facilitate this, Jan explained. The goal is to make the drainage repairs before the wet weather starts in November. The repairs will involve digging out the soil to a depth of about 10 feet right next to the building, then installing foundation drain pipe near the footings and drainage fabric on the foundation walls. The drain pipe will be extended to drywells that will also be re-built during the project. **Some pathways and entrances to the building may be restricted during this work.**

We appreciate your patience over the next several months as repairs get underway.

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